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AMENDMENT

In response to the Official Action mailed March 13, 2001, please amend this application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

<u> Yease cancel Claims 146, 147 and 182 without prejudice...</u>

Please substitute the following amended claims for corresponding claims previously presented. A copy of the amended claims showing the requested revisions is attached.

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K OFFICE INITED STATES PATENT AND TRADE Atty Dkt. 37-49 In re Patent Application of C# M# Group Art Unit: 1616 OWN et al Examiner: WILLIAMS, P. rial No. 09/310,740 Date: September 13, 2001 Filed: May 13, 1999 METHOD AND APPAR THE COATING OF SUBSTRATES FOR Title: PHARMACEUTICAL UST Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231 Sir: **AMENDMENT** This is a response/amendment/letter in the above-identified application and includes an attachment which is hereby incorporated by reference and the signature below serves as the signature to the attachment in the absence of any othe signature thereon. Fees are attached as calculated below: Total effective claims after amendment 147 minus highest number previously paid for 150 (at least 20) =\$ 18.00 \$ 0.00 Independent claims after amendment 20 minus highest number \$ 80.00 \$ 80.00 previously paid for 19 (at least 3) = If proper multiple dependent claims now added for first time, add \$270.00 (ignore improper) \$ 0.00 Petition is hereby made to extend the current due date so as to cover the filing date of this \$ paper and attachment(s) (\$110.00/1 month; \$390.00/2 months; \$890.00/3 months) 890.00 \$ Ter. hinal disclaimer enclosed, add \$ 110.00 0.00 First/second submission after Final Rejection pursuant to 37 CFR 1.129(a) (\$710.00) \$ 0.00 Please enter the previously unentered ☐ Submission attached Request for Continued Examination pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 (\$710.00) \$ 0.00 Please enter the previously unentered , filed or Required submission attached Subtotal \$ 970.00 If "small entity," then enter half (1/2) of subtotal and subtract -\$ 0.00 ☐ This application is entitled to "Small entity" status. ☐ "Small entity" statement attached. Rule 56 Information Disclosure Statement Filing Fee (\$180.00) \$ 0.00 \$ 0.00 Assignment Recording Fee (\$40.00) Other: 0.00 TOTAL FEE ENCLOSED 970.00 The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in the fee(s) filed, or asserted to be filed, or which should have been filed herewith (or with any paper hereafter filed in this application by this firm) to our Account No. 14-1140. A duplicate copy of this sheet is attached. 1100 North Glebe Road, 8th Floor NIXON & VANDERHYE P.C. Arlington, Virginia 22201-4714 By Atty: Leonard C. Mitchard, Reg. No. 29,009 Telephone: (703) 816-4000 Facsimile: (703) 816-4100 LCM:lks Signature:

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